

Anatomy of single field inflationary models for primordial black holes

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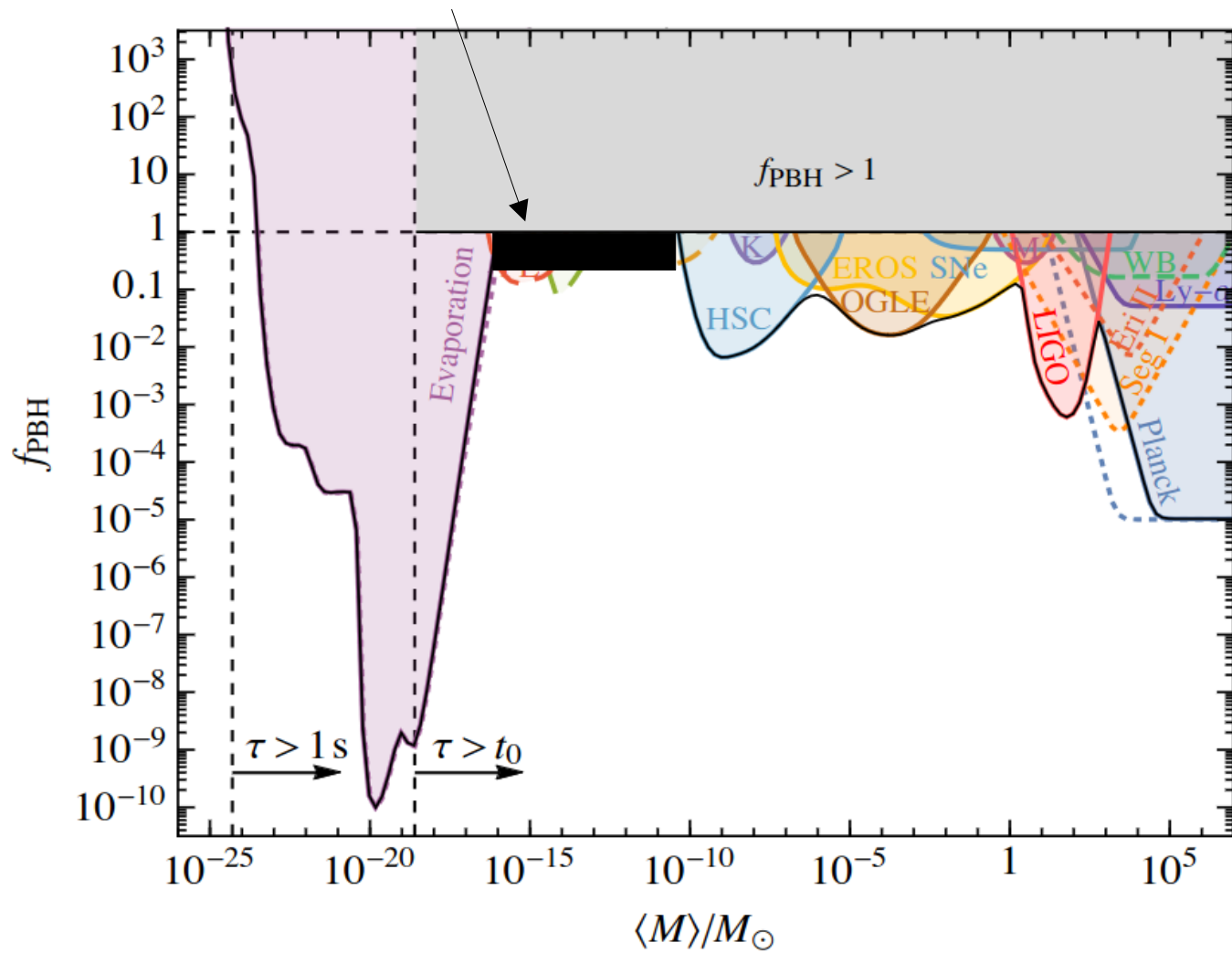
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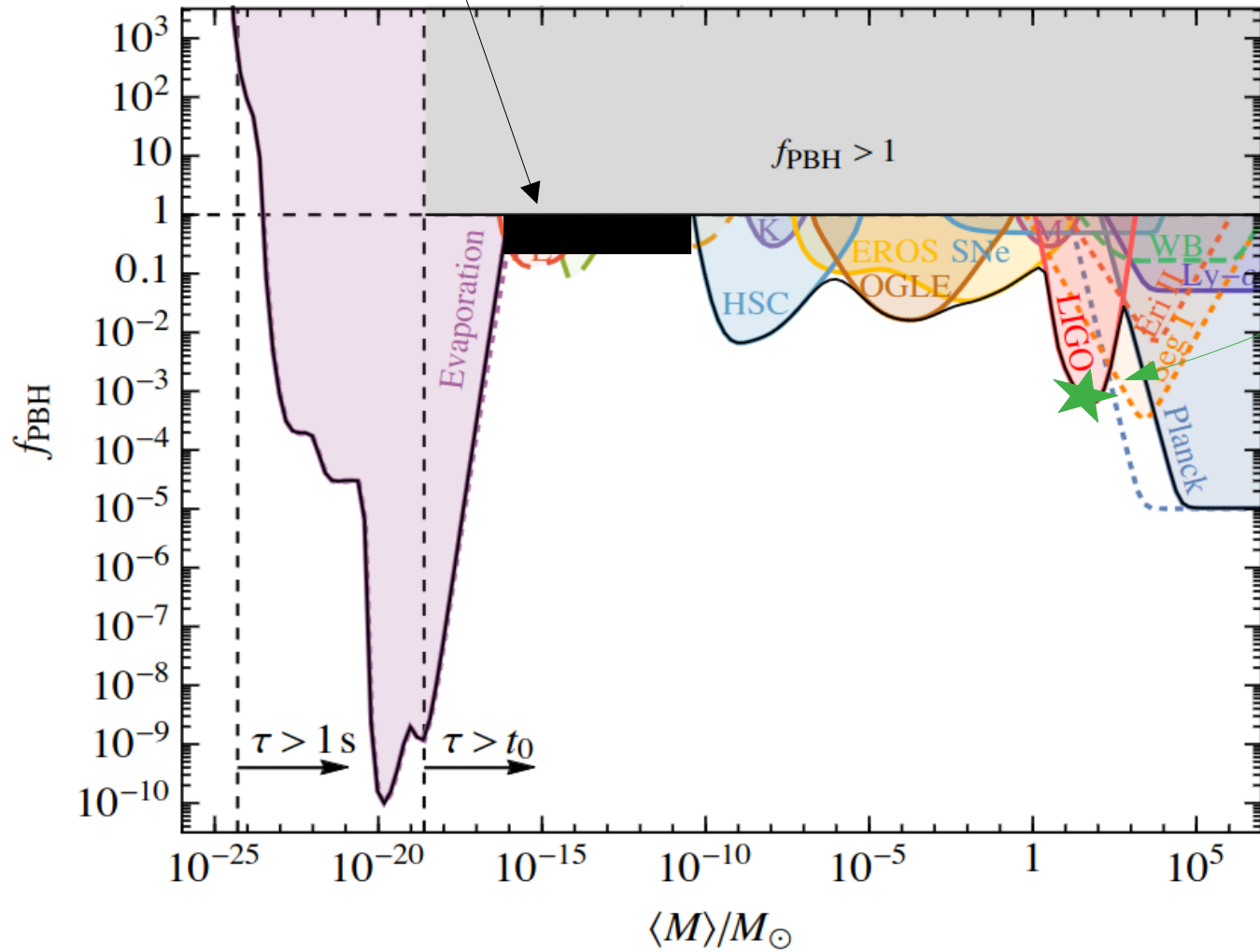
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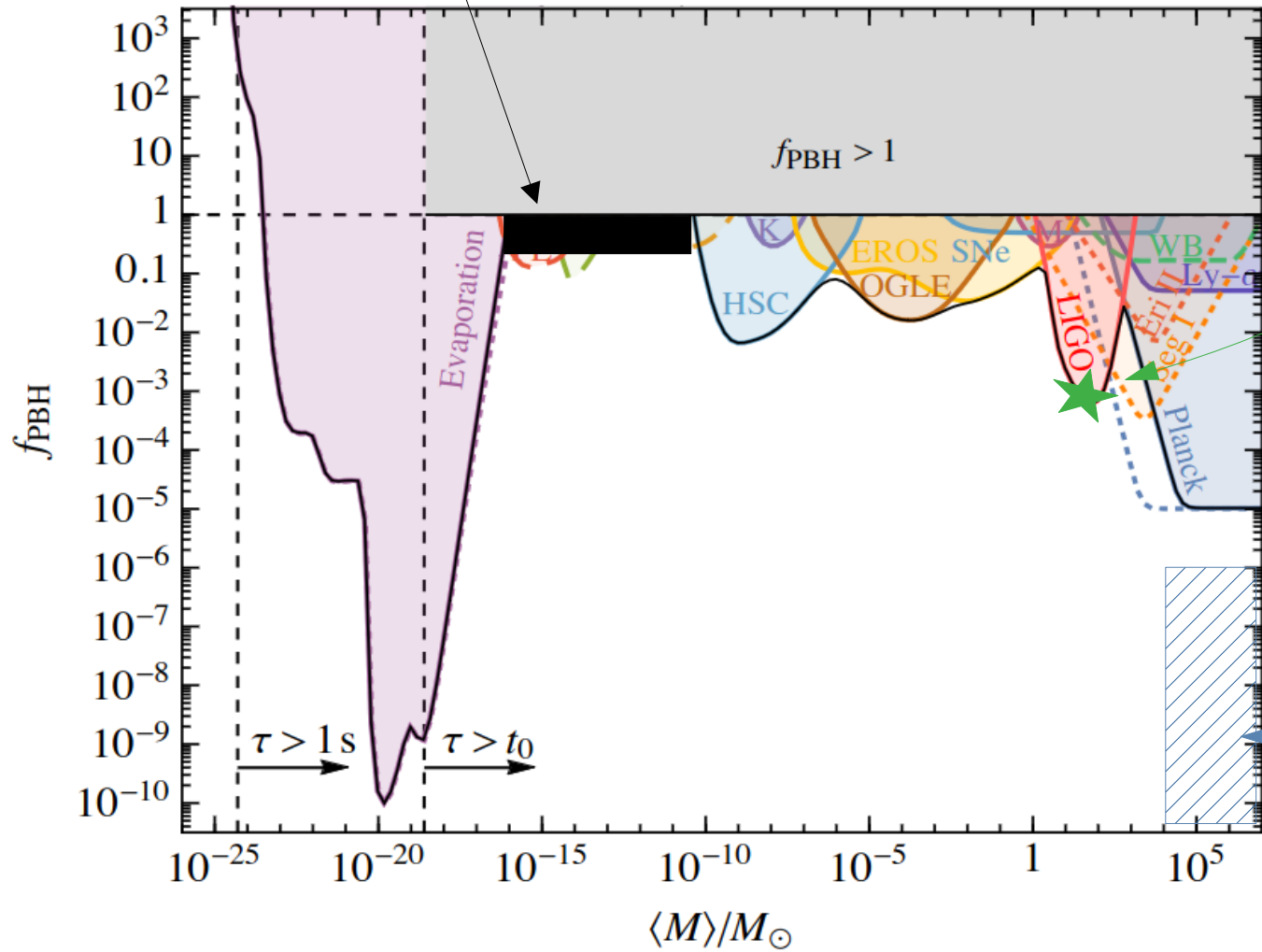
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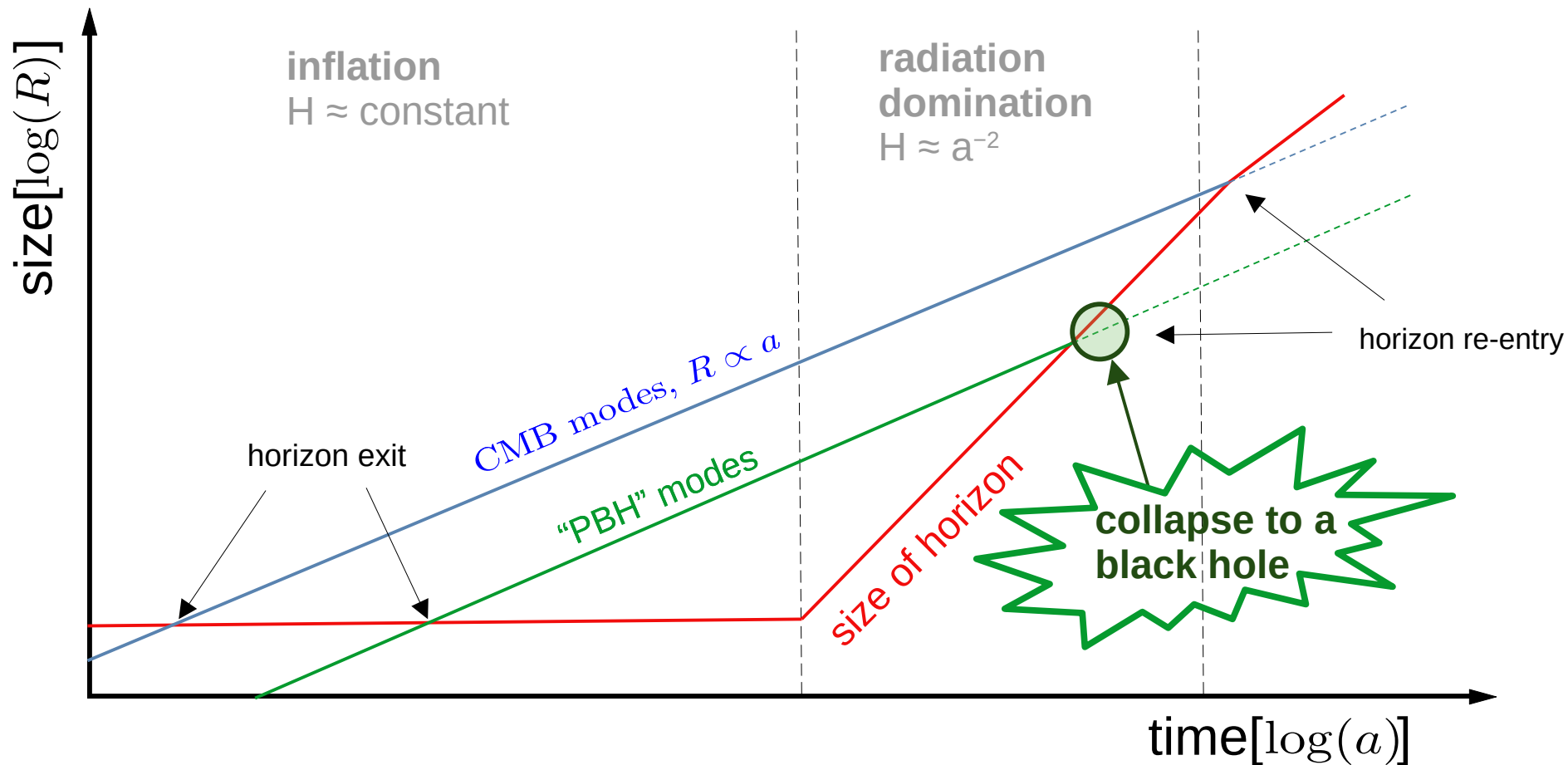
PBHs as SMBH seeds

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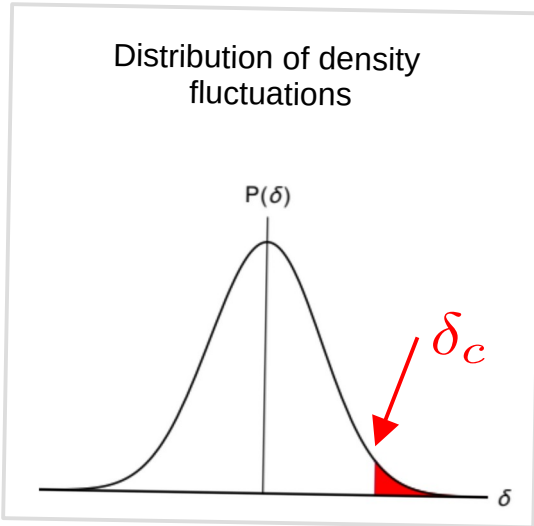
PBH formation

general idea: collapse of large inhomogeneities in the early universe



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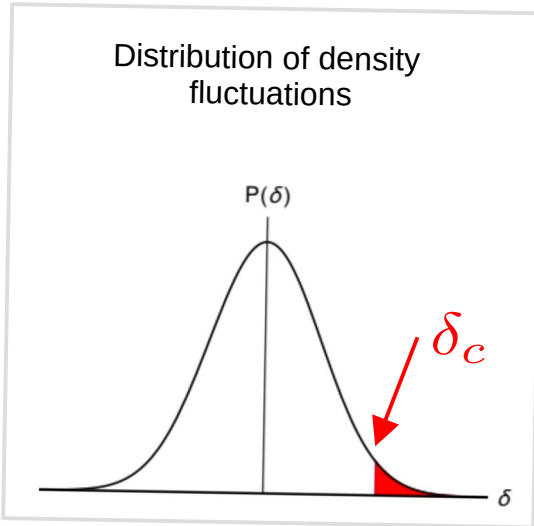
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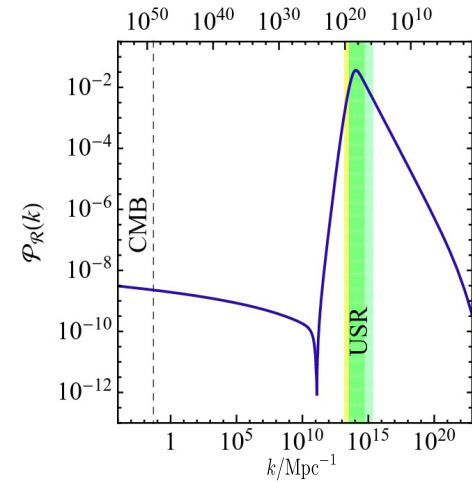
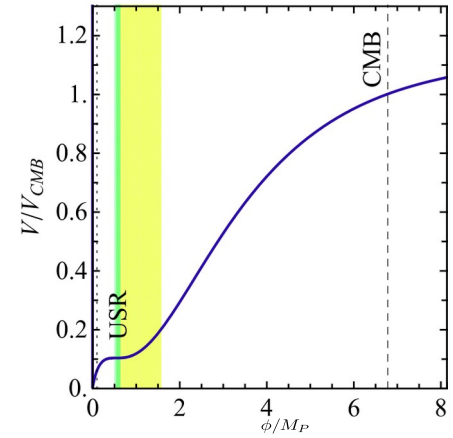
e-folds between the exit CMB and PBH modes

SCALE of perturbations:

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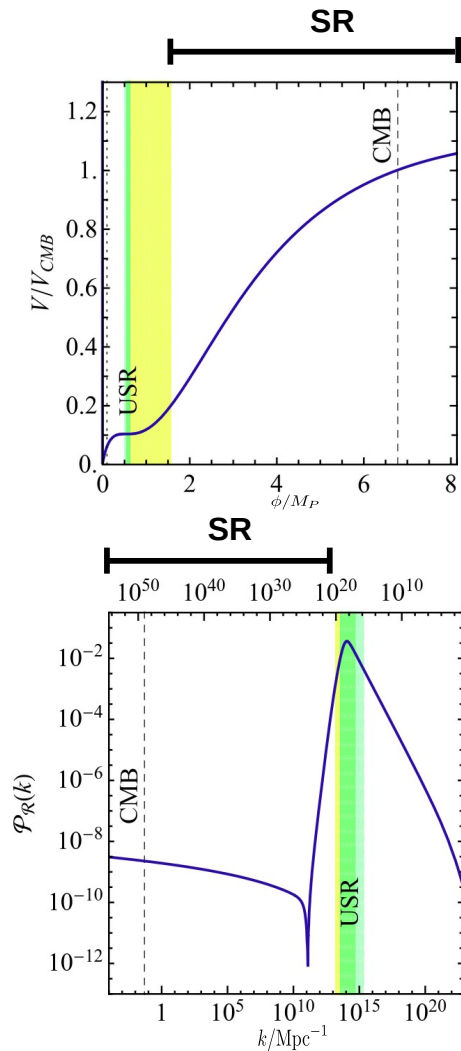


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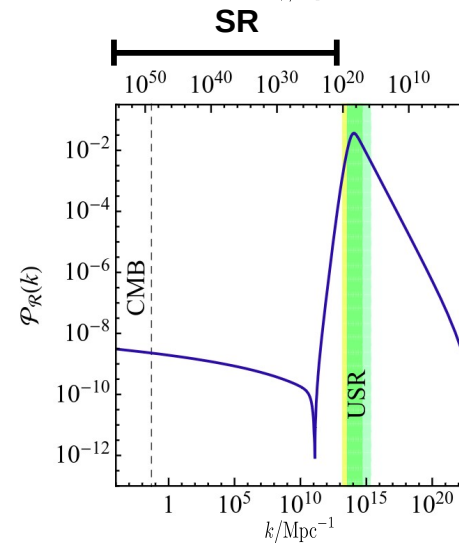
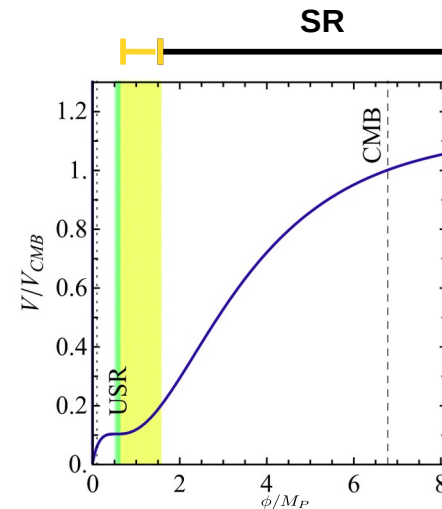
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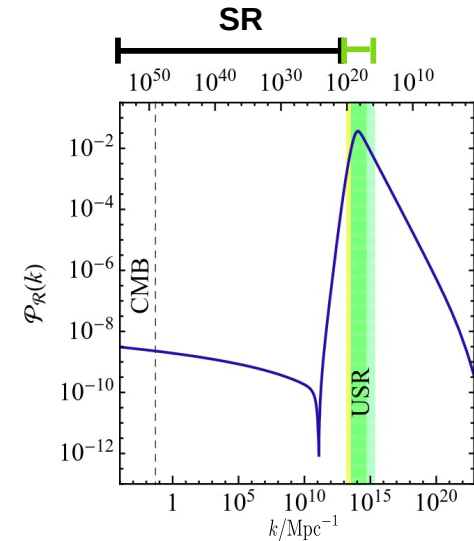
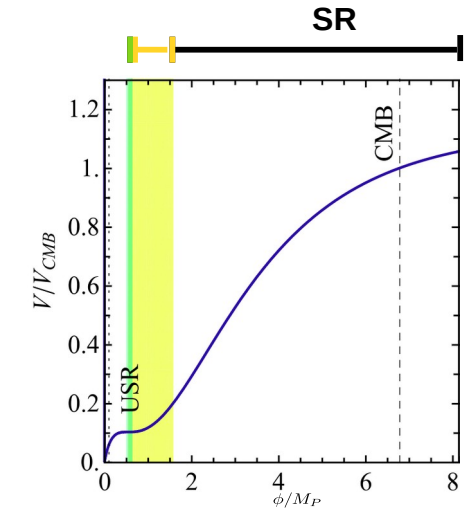
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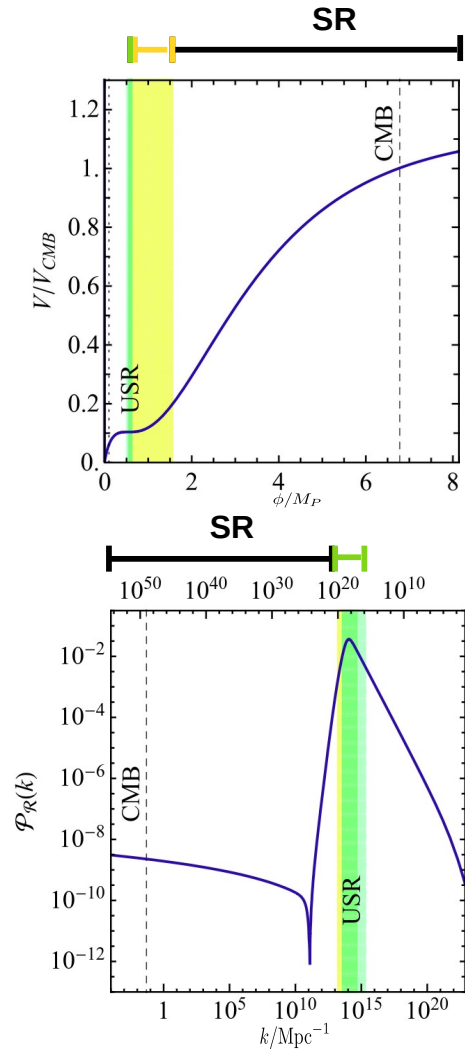
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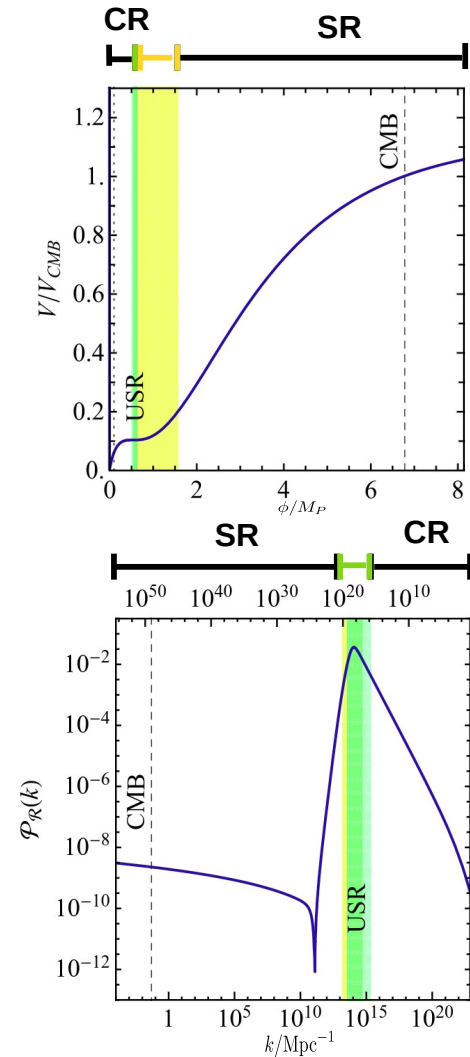
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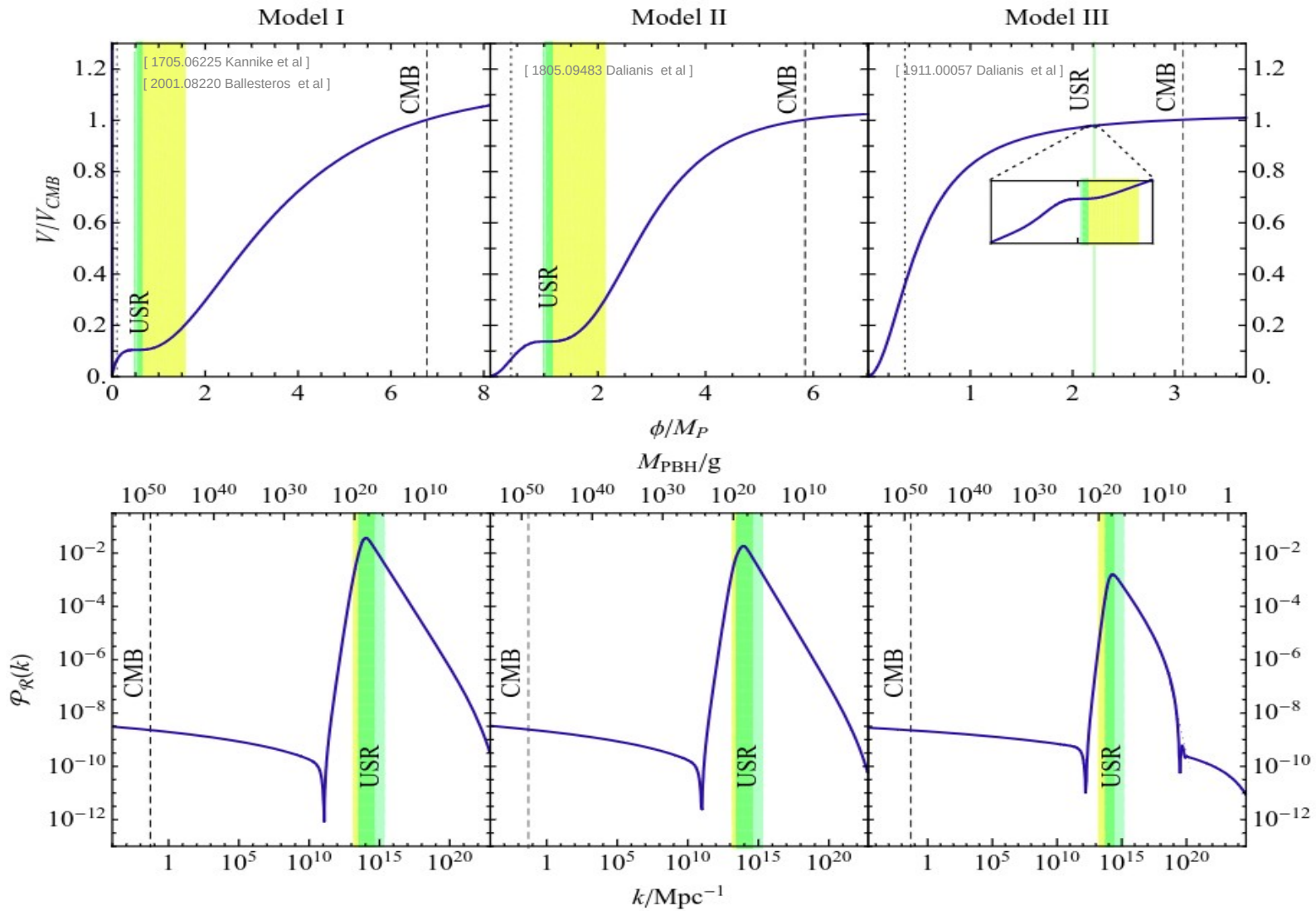
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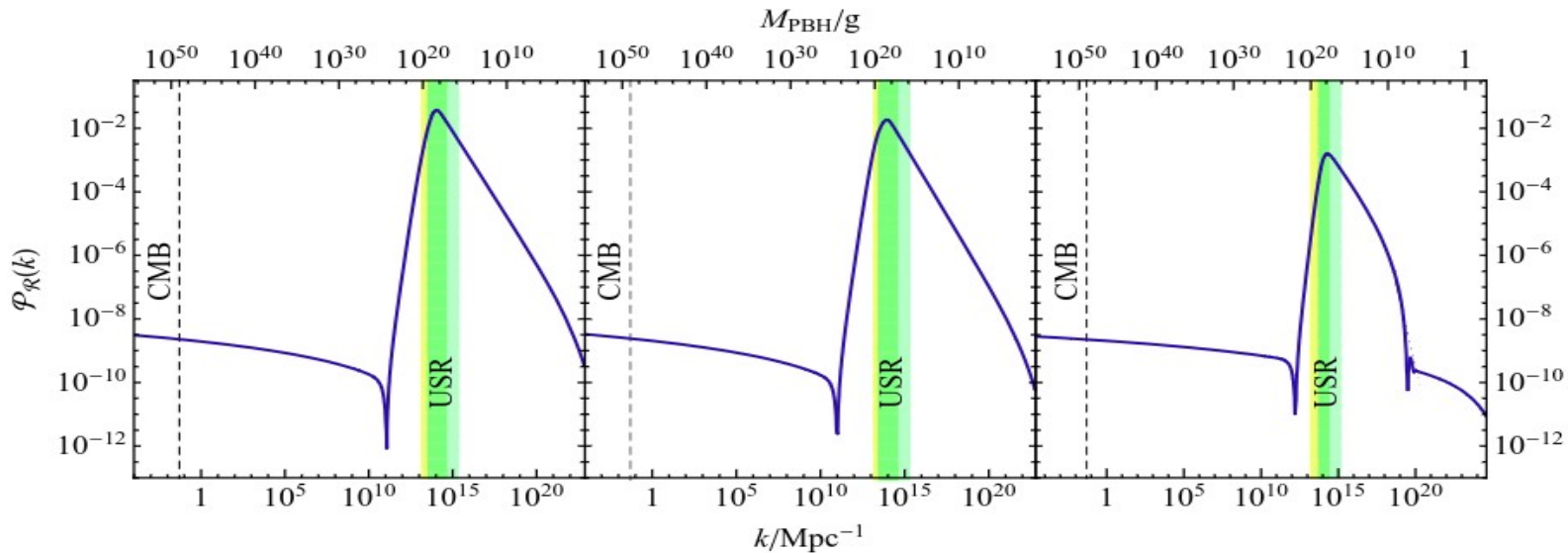
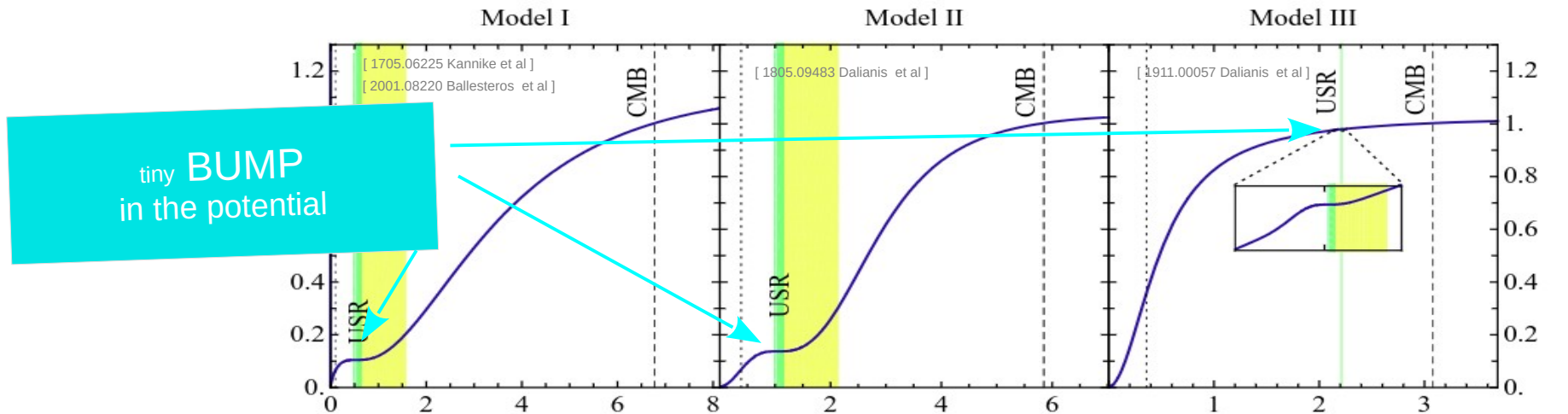
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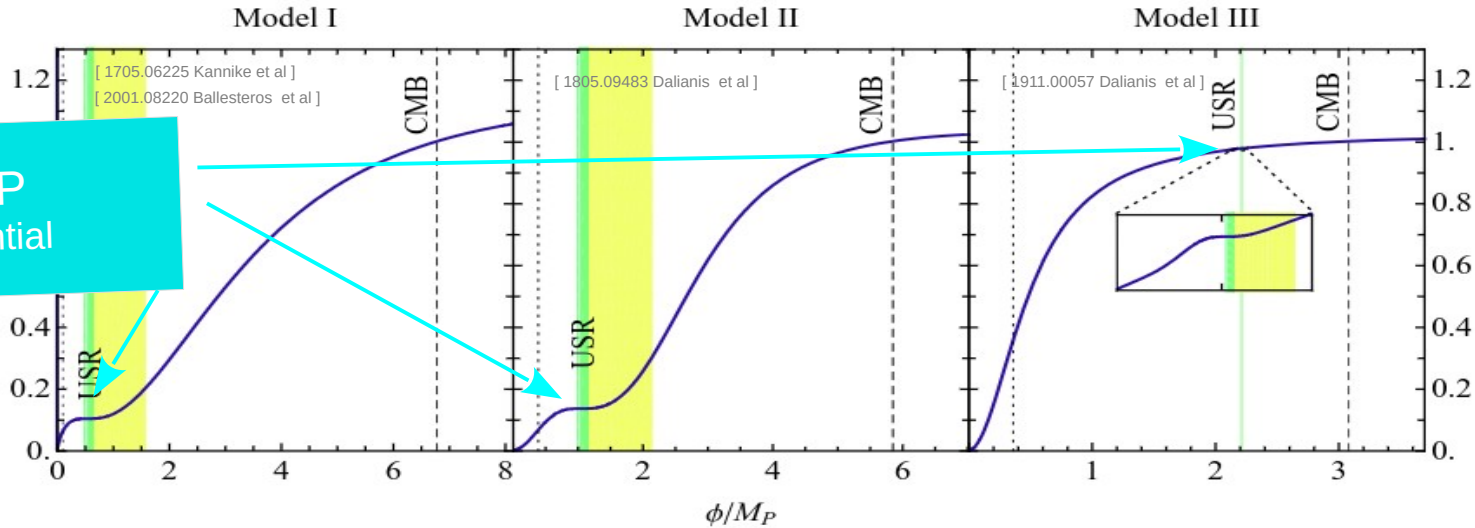
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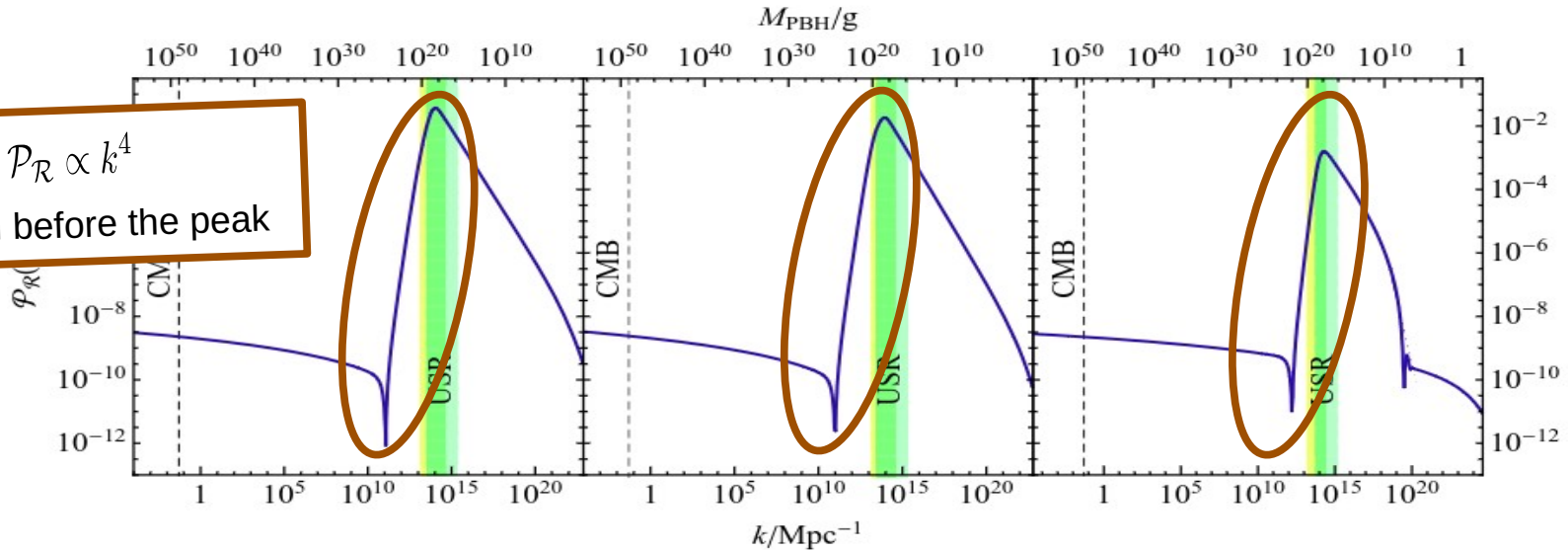


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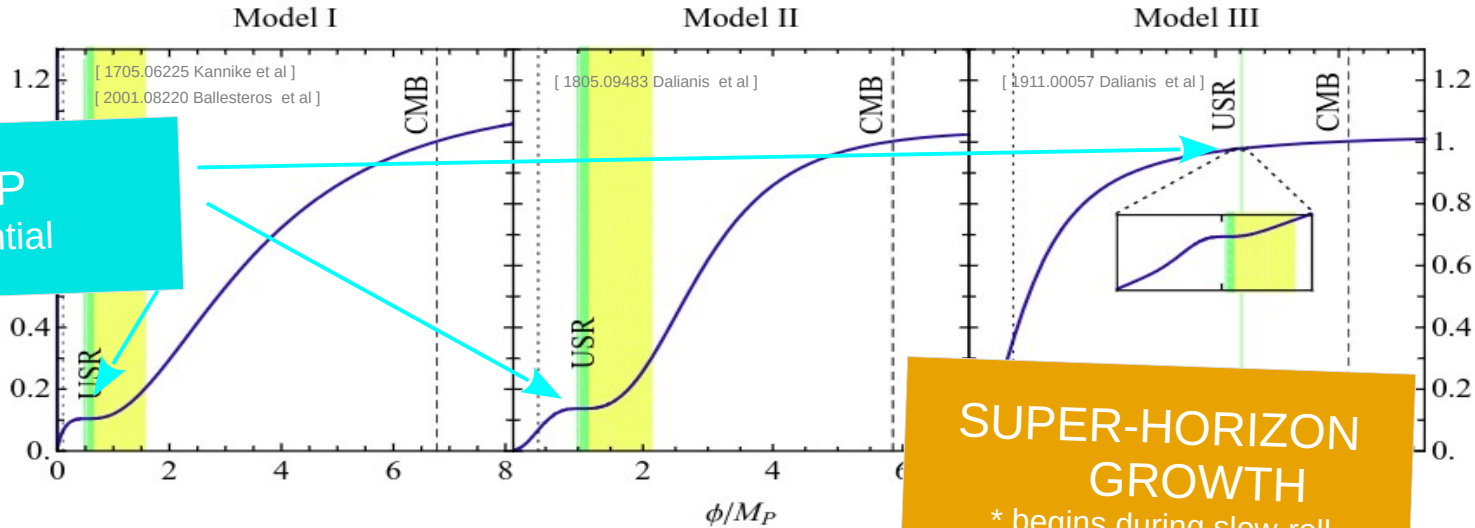
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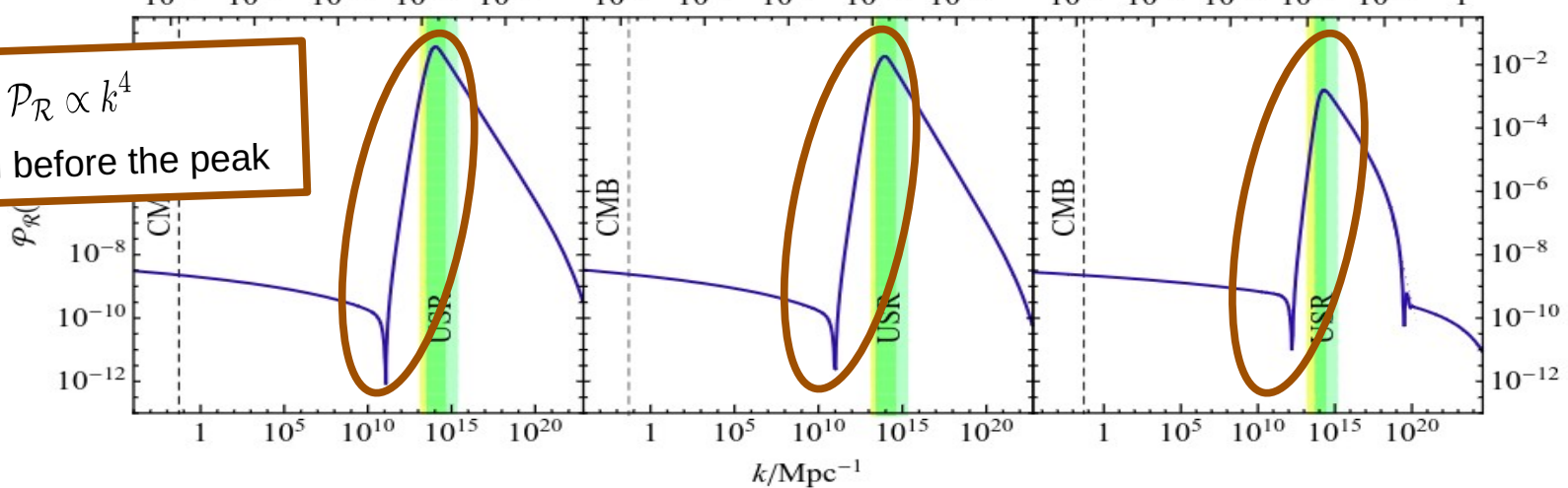


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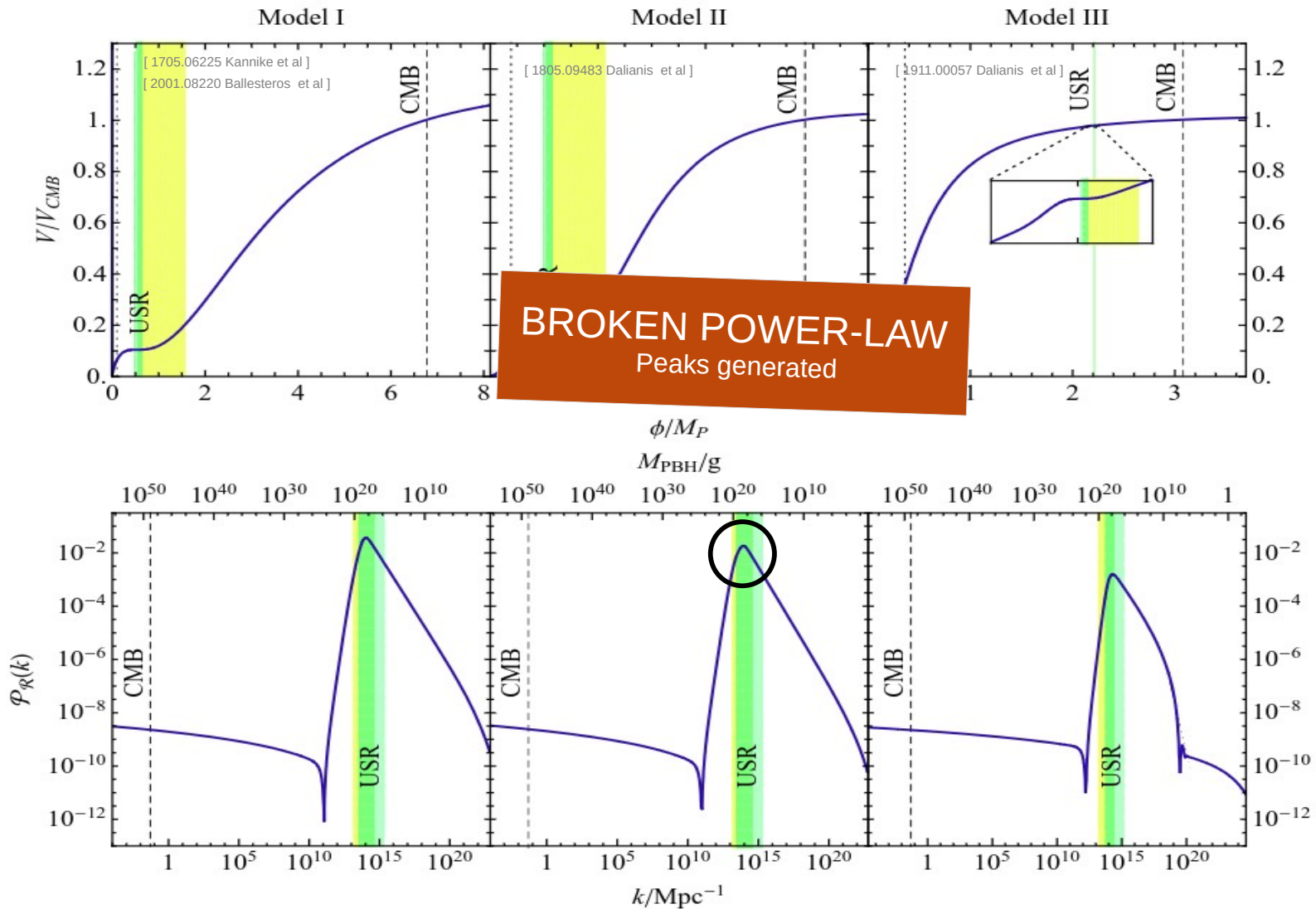
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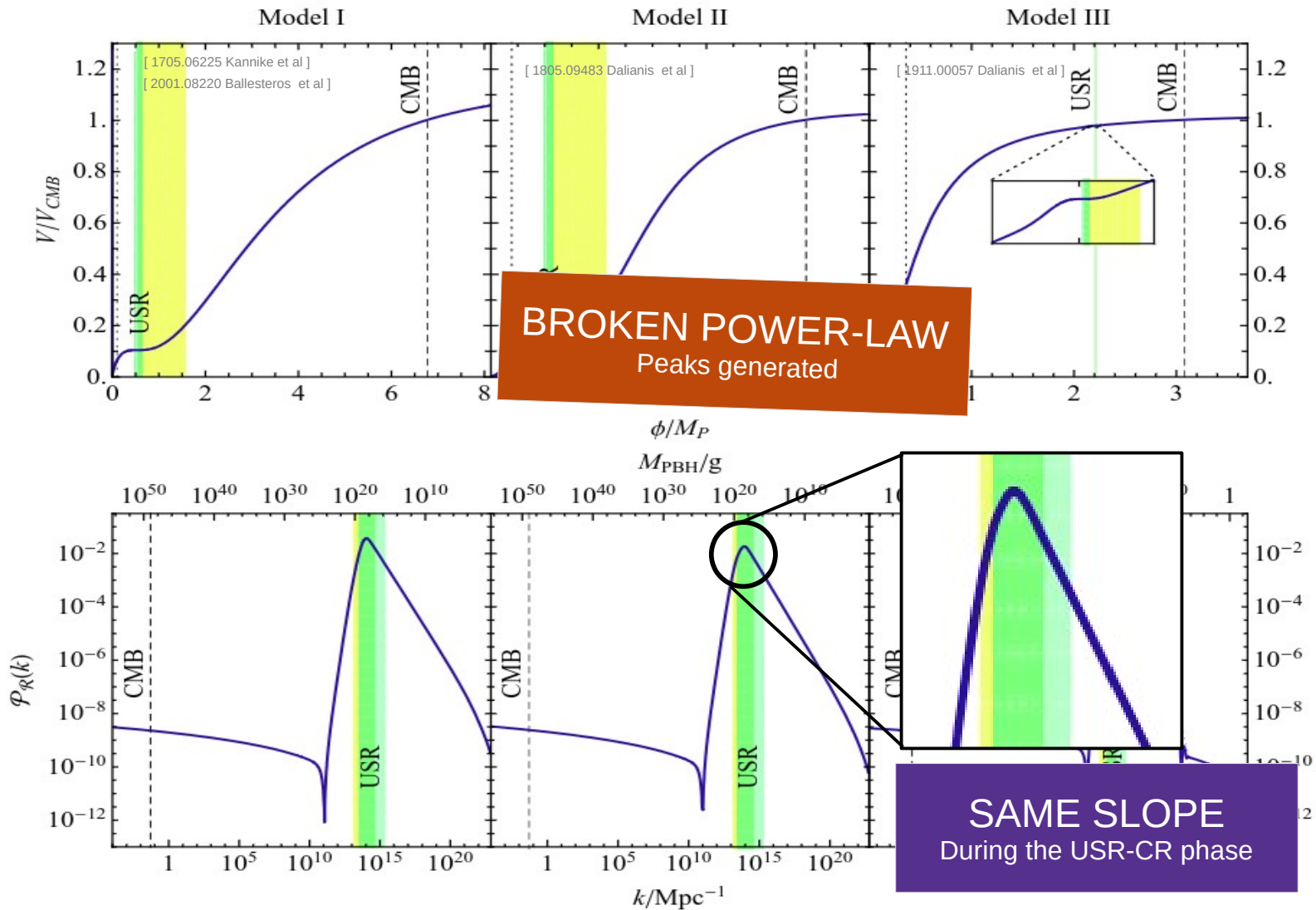
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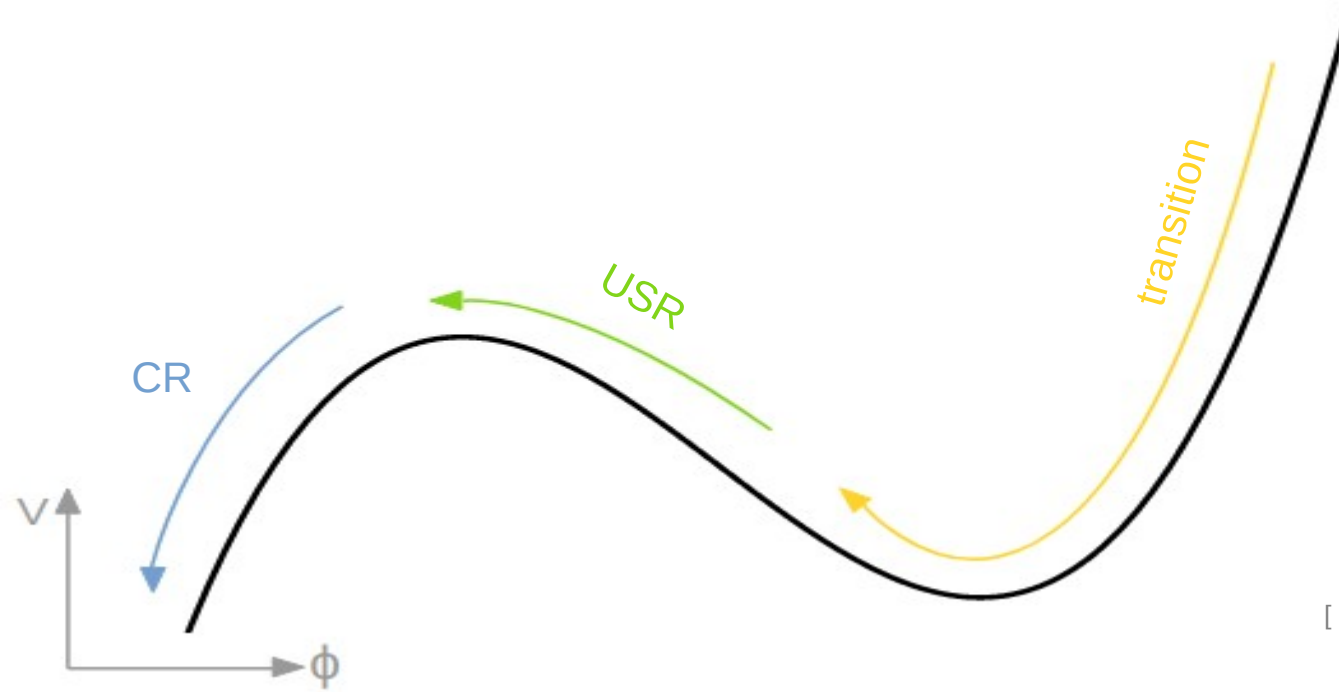


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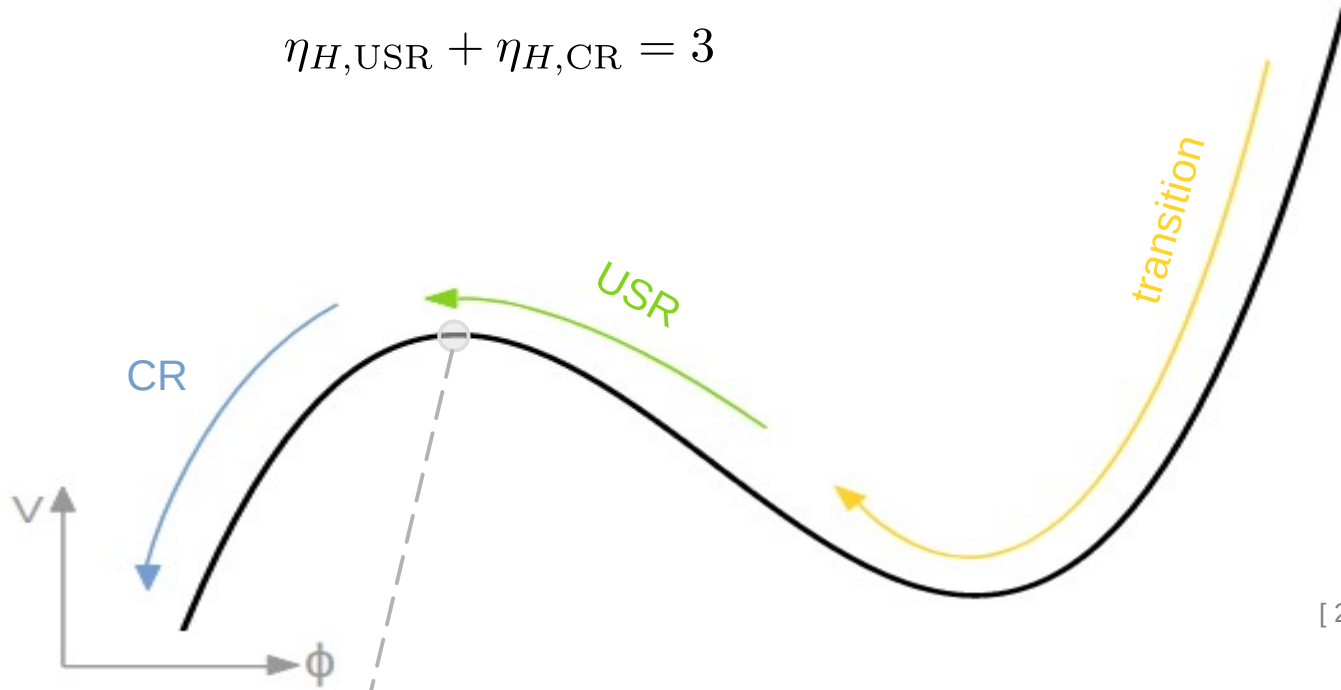
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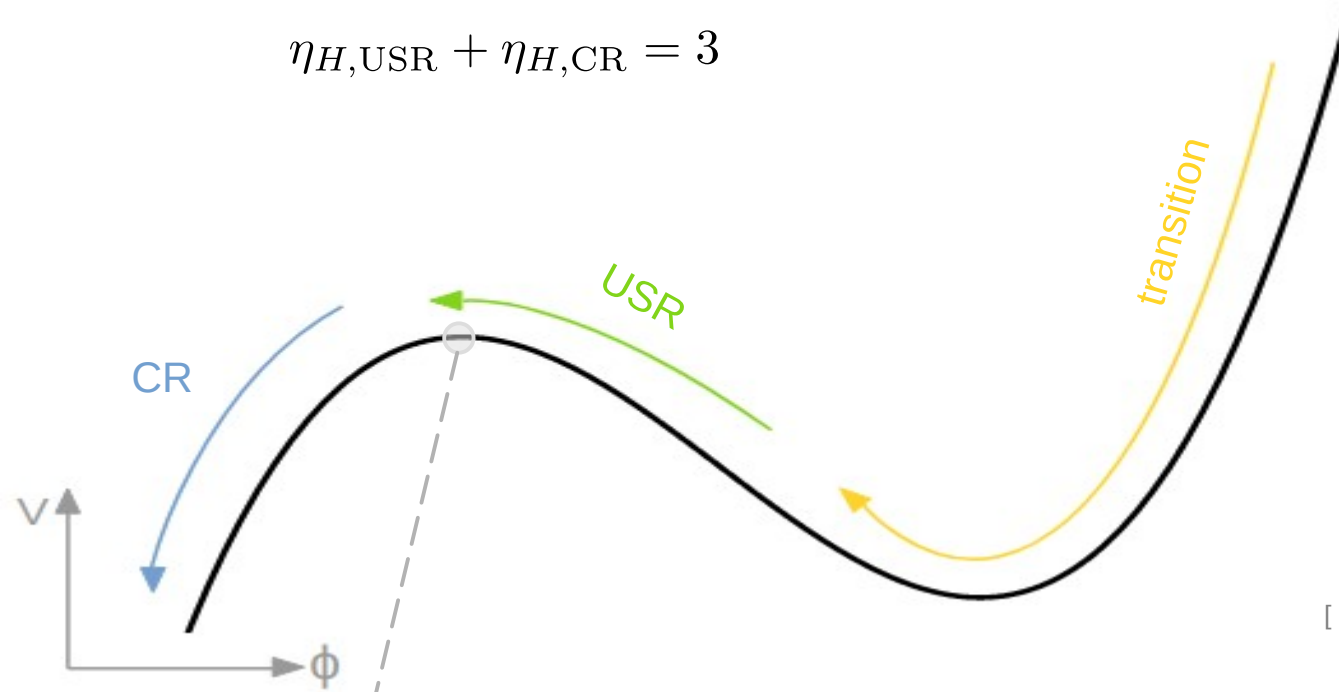
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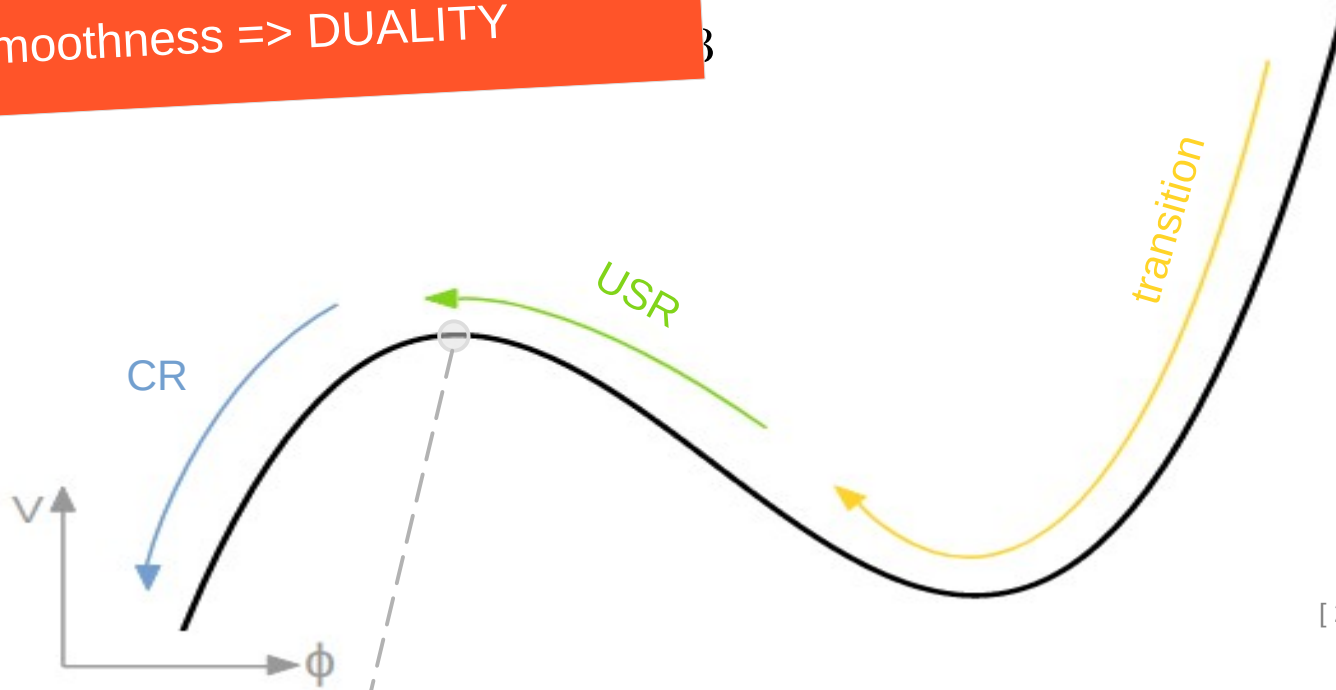
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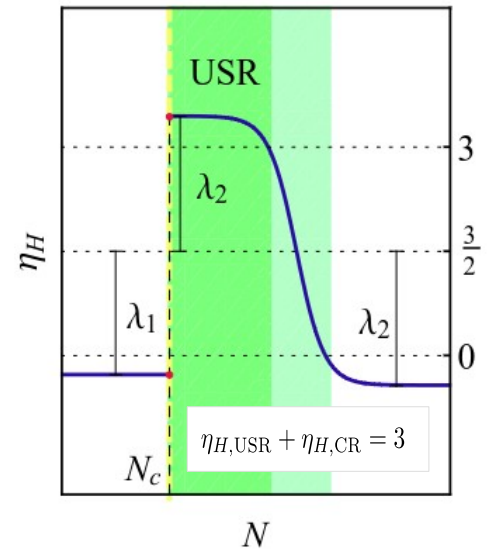
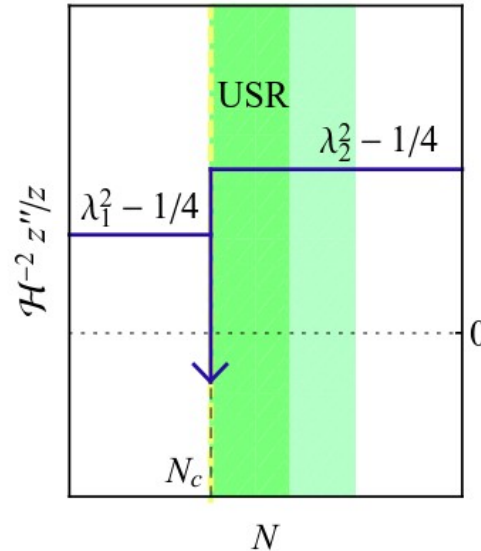
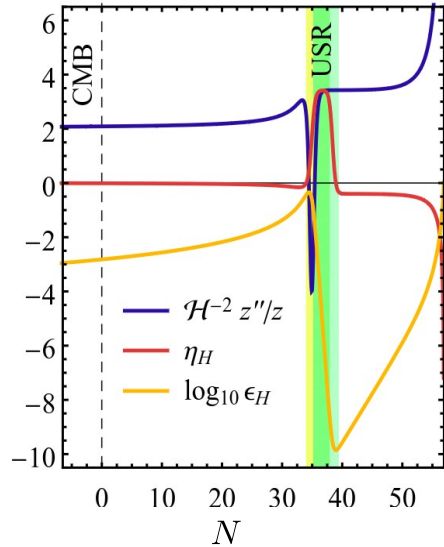
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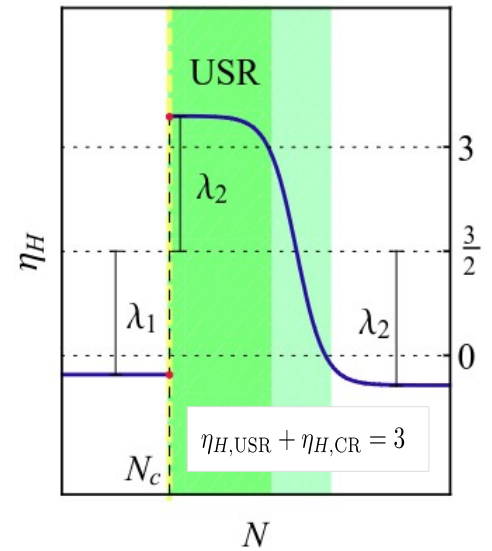
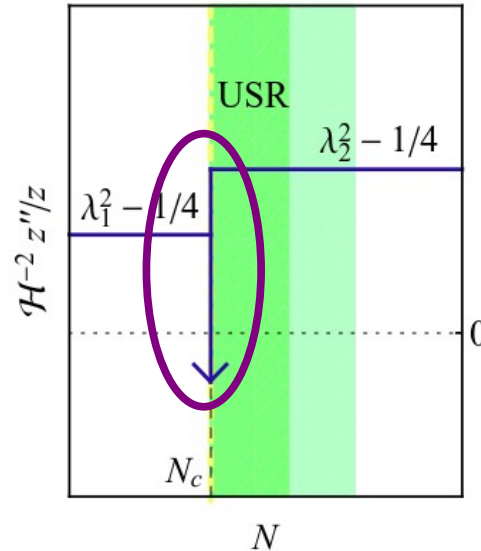
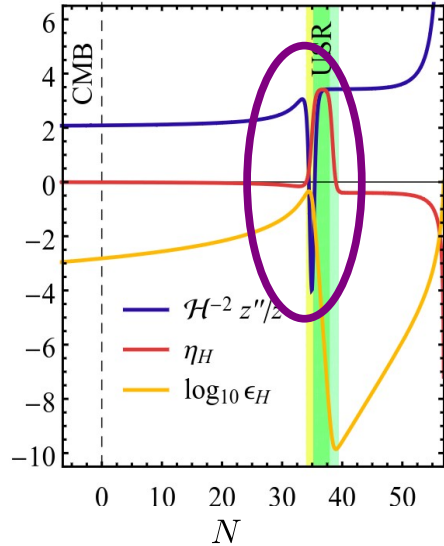
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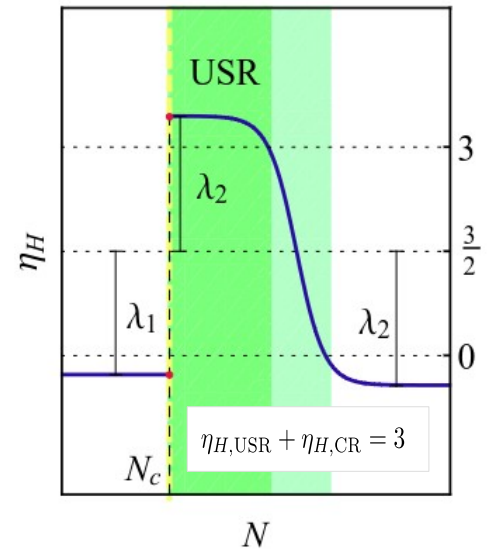
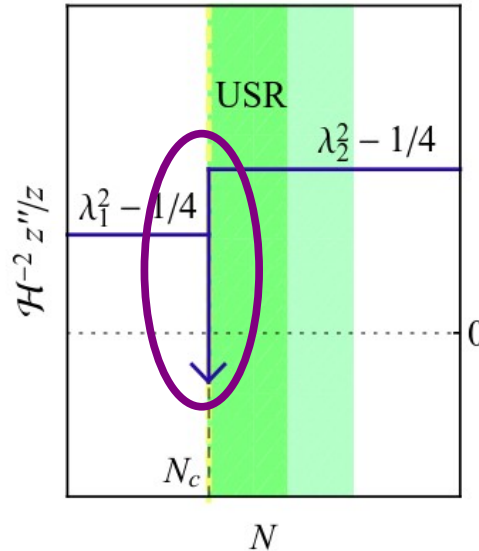
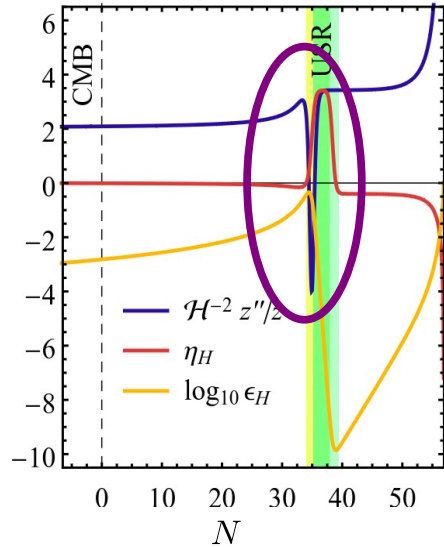
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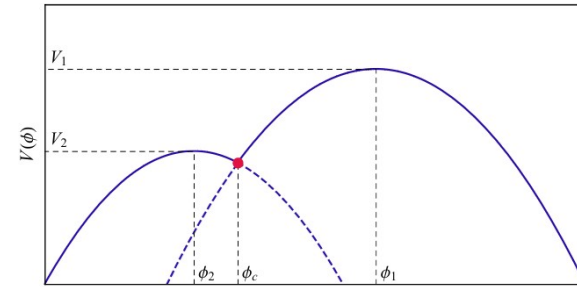
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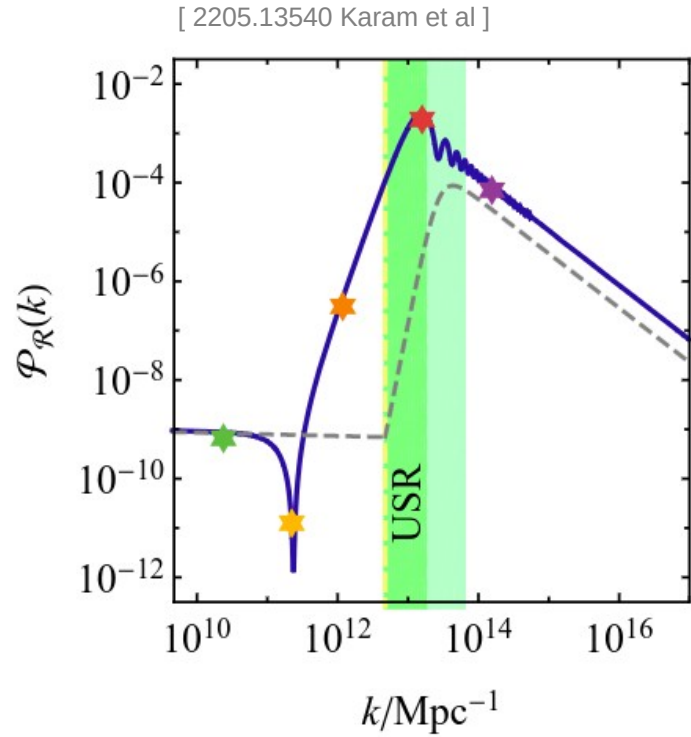
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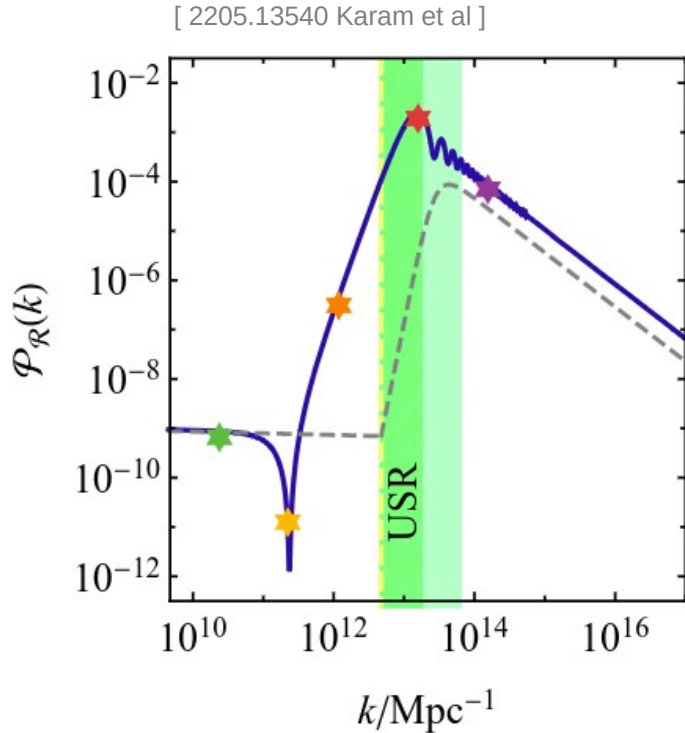


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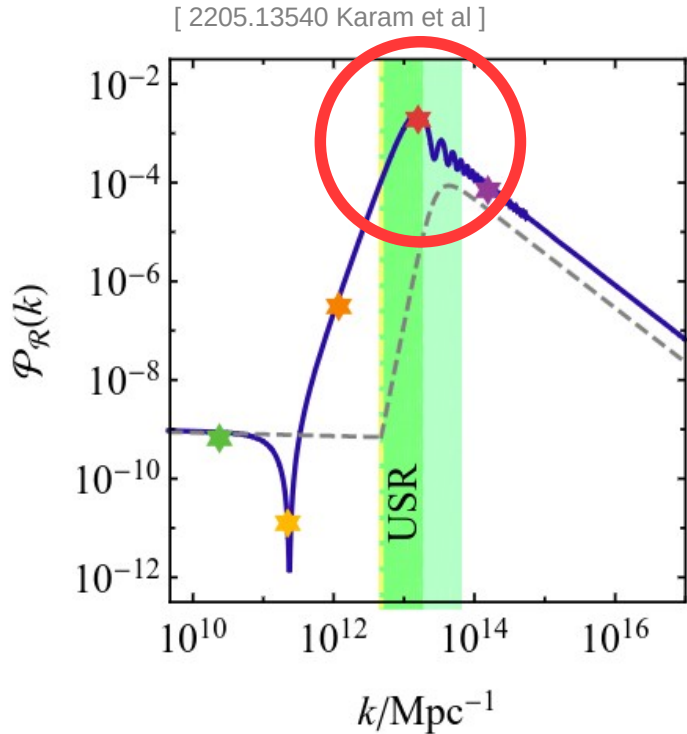
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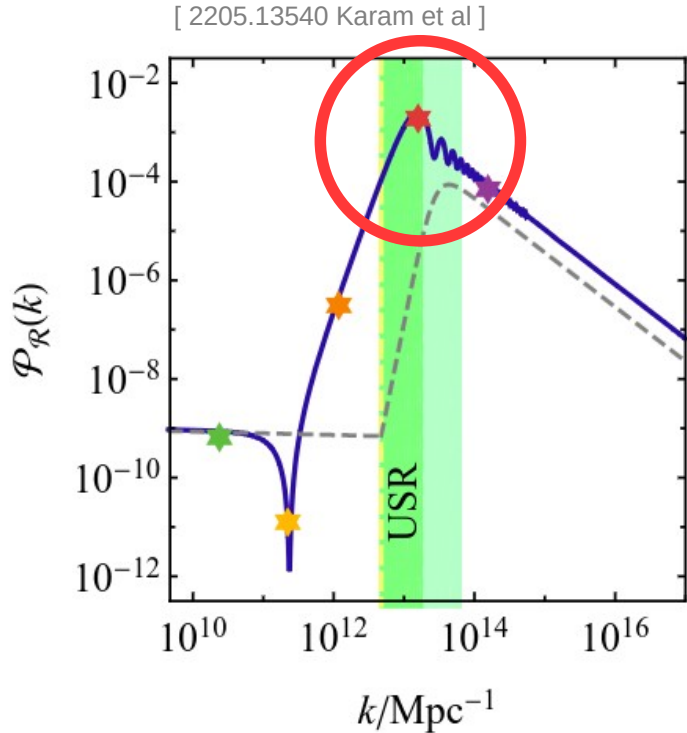
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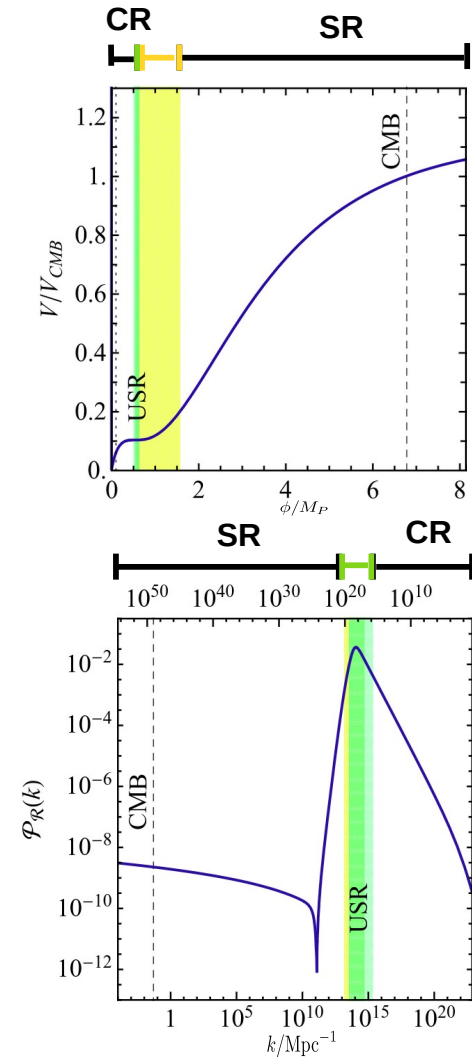
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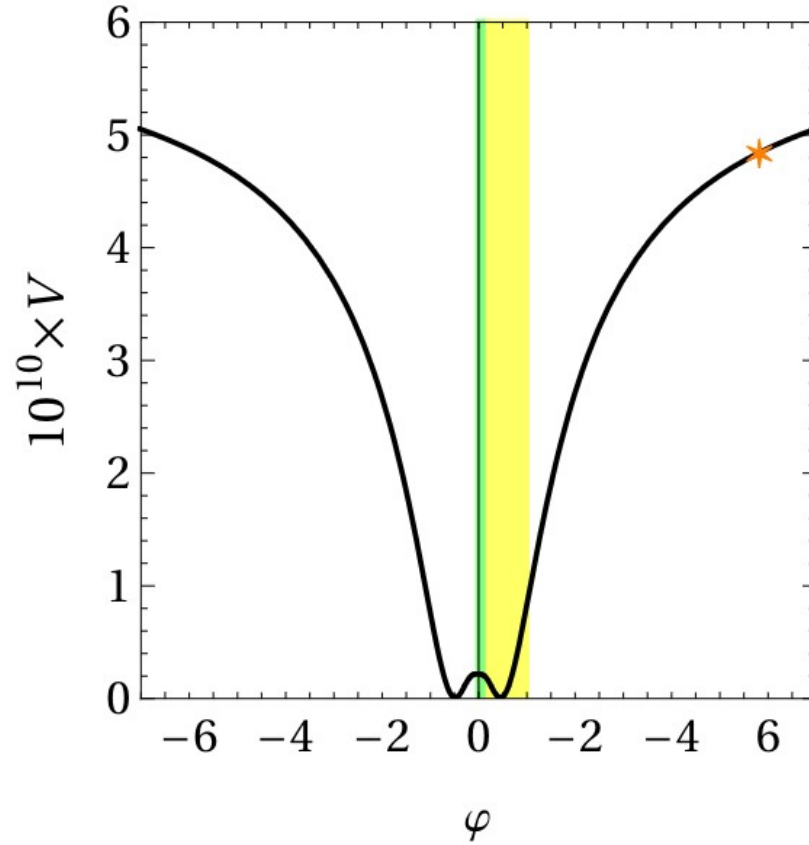
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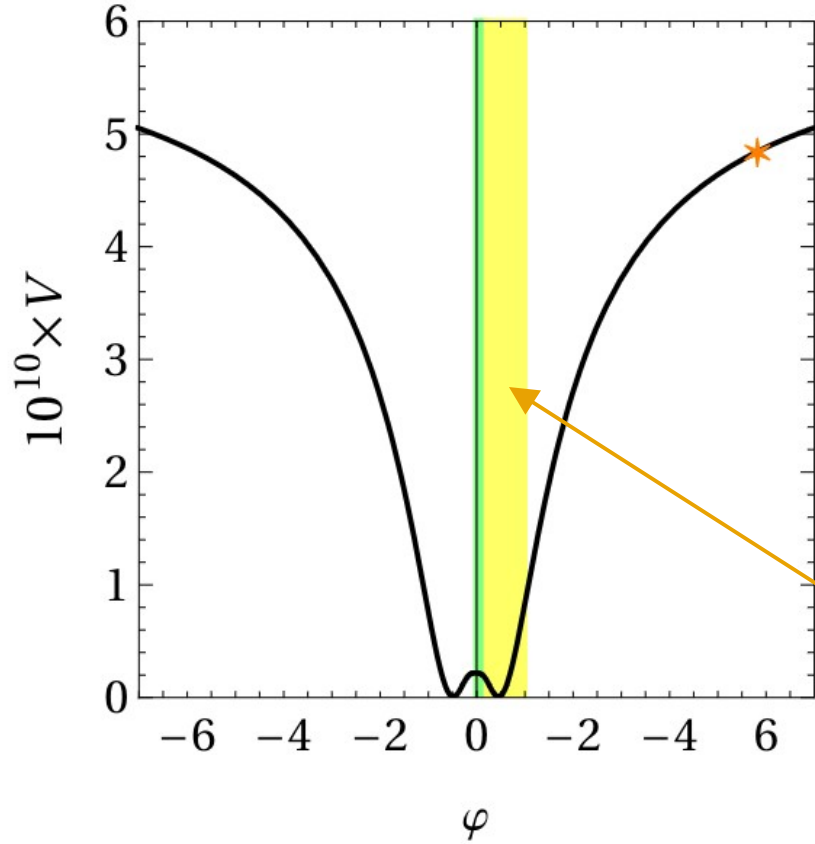
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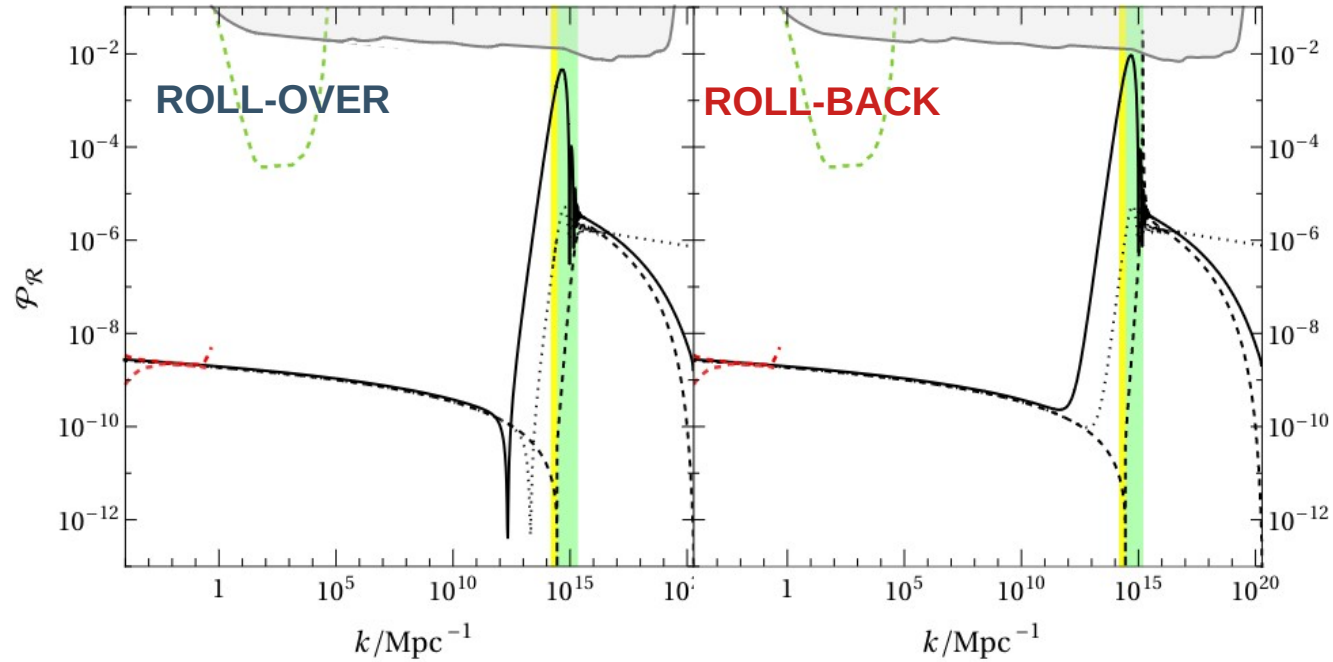
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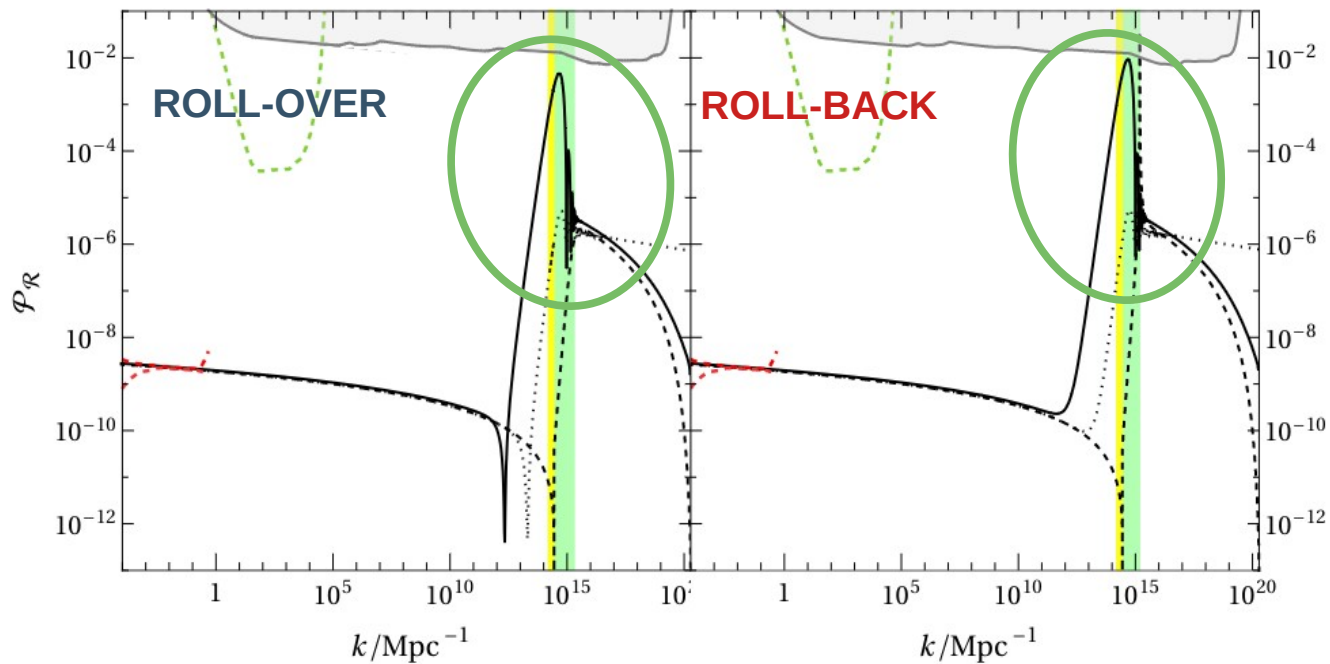
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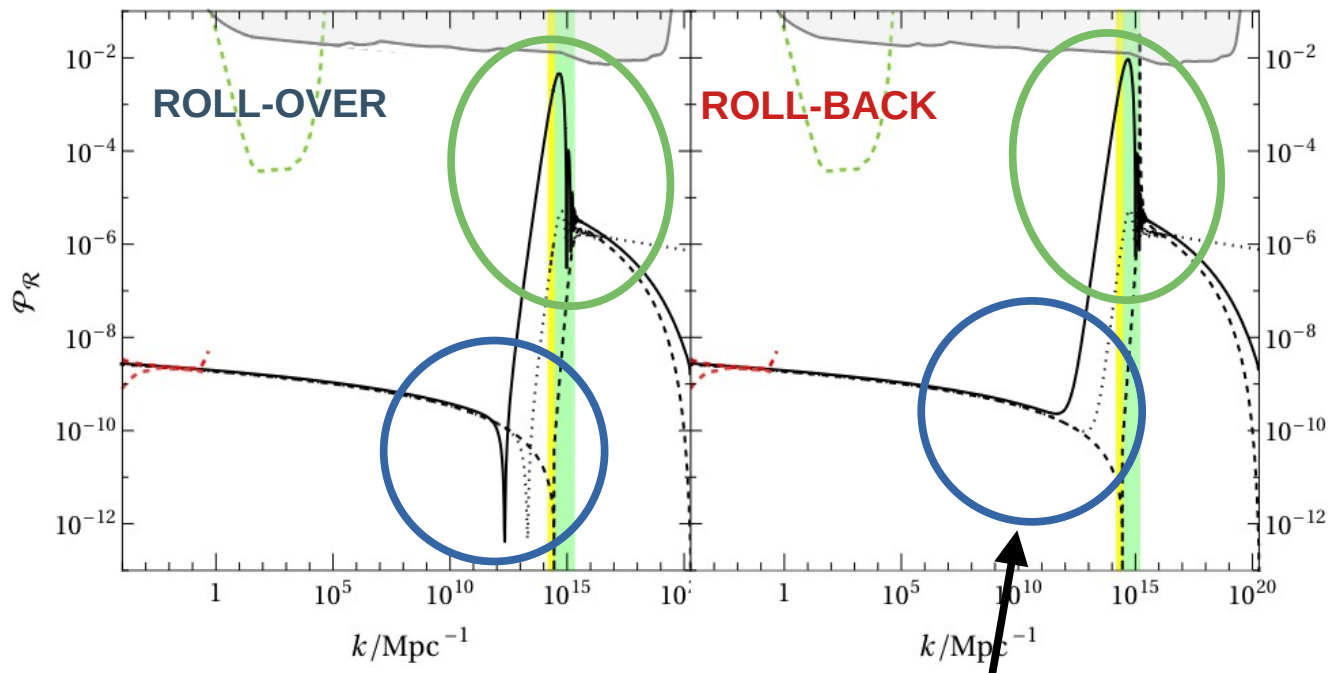
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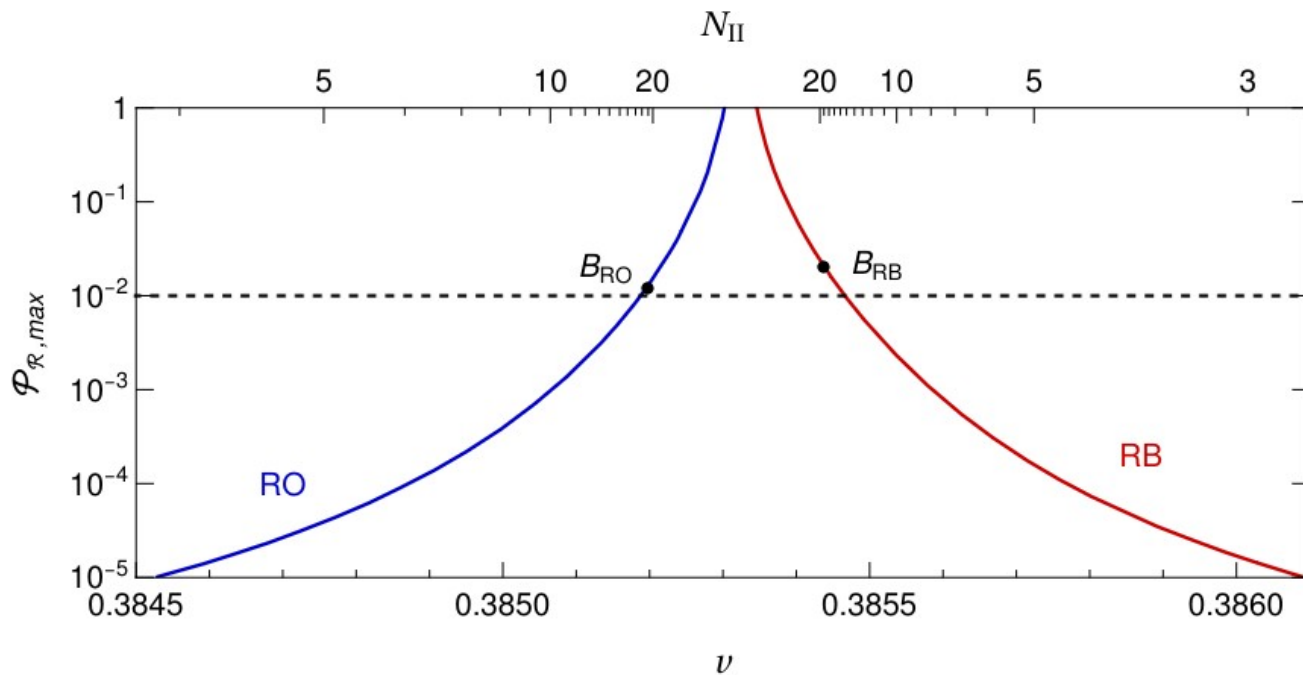
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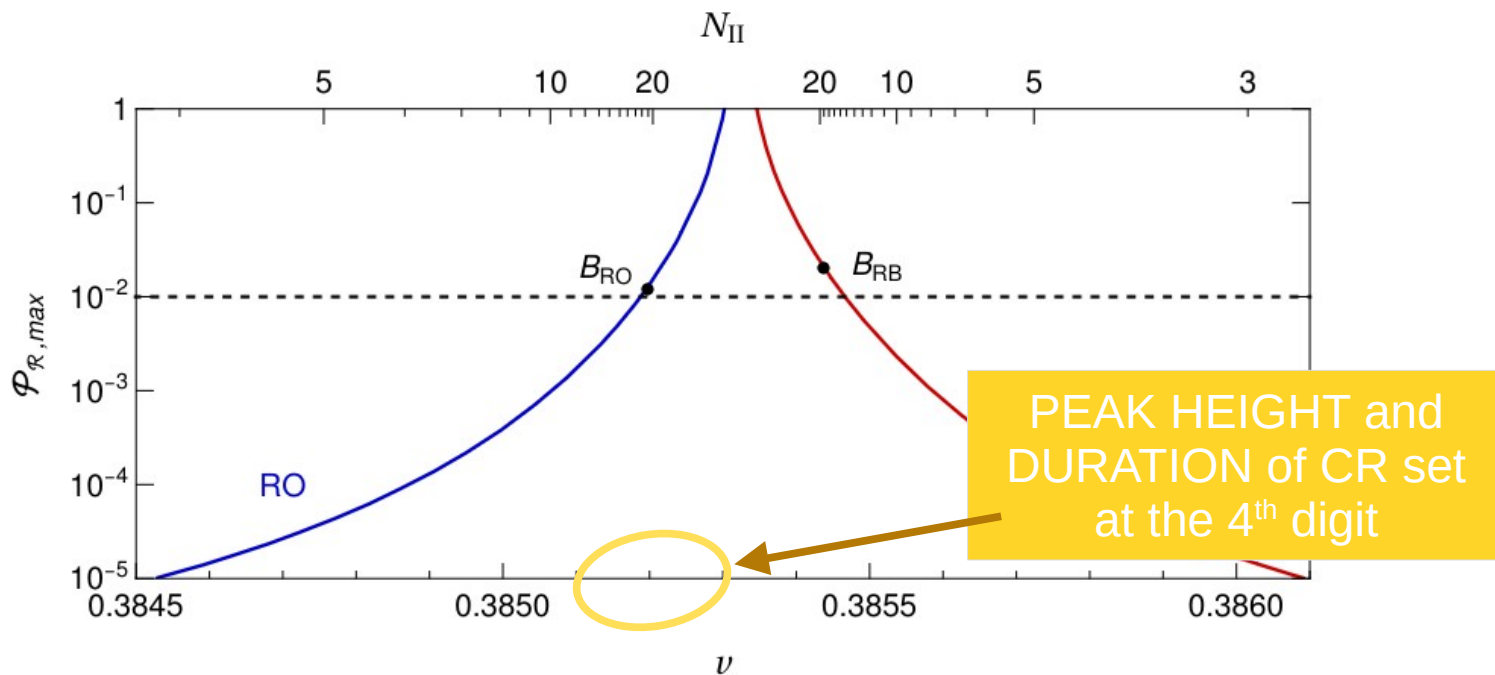
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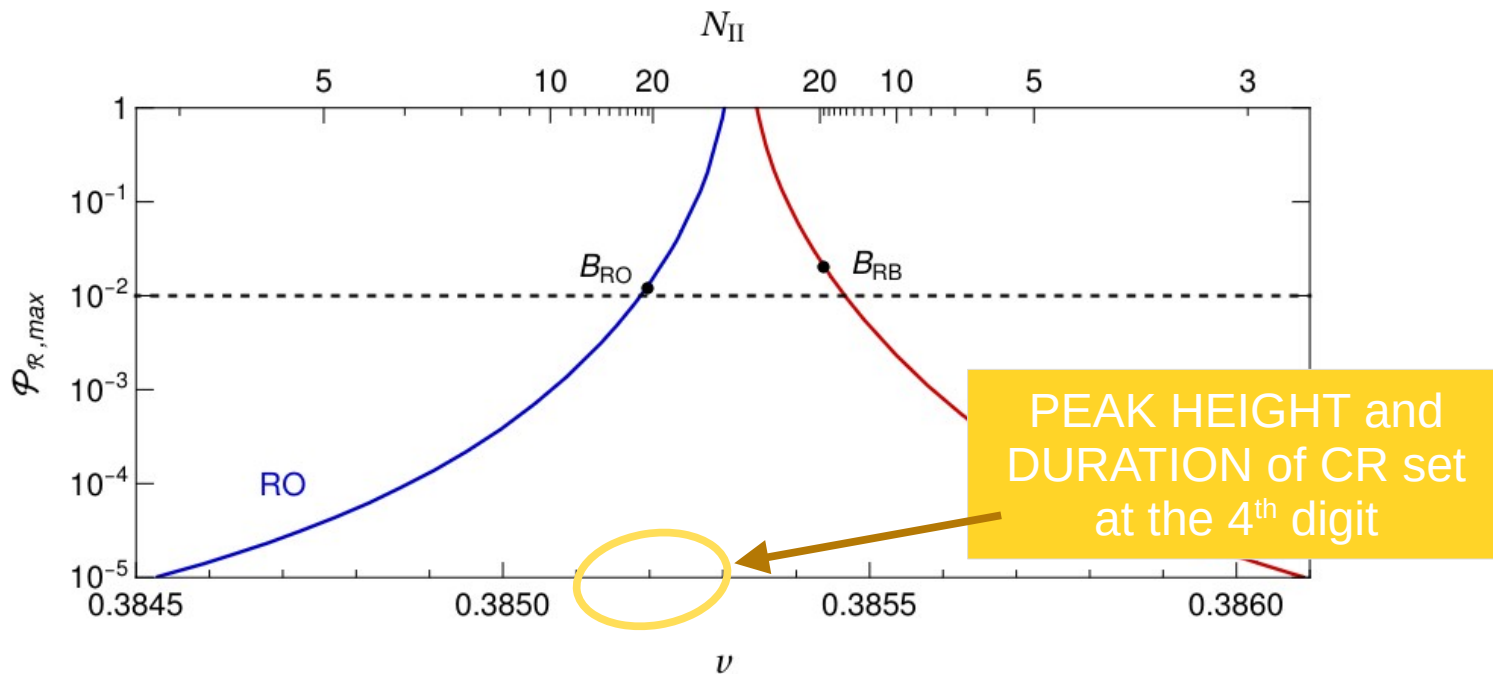
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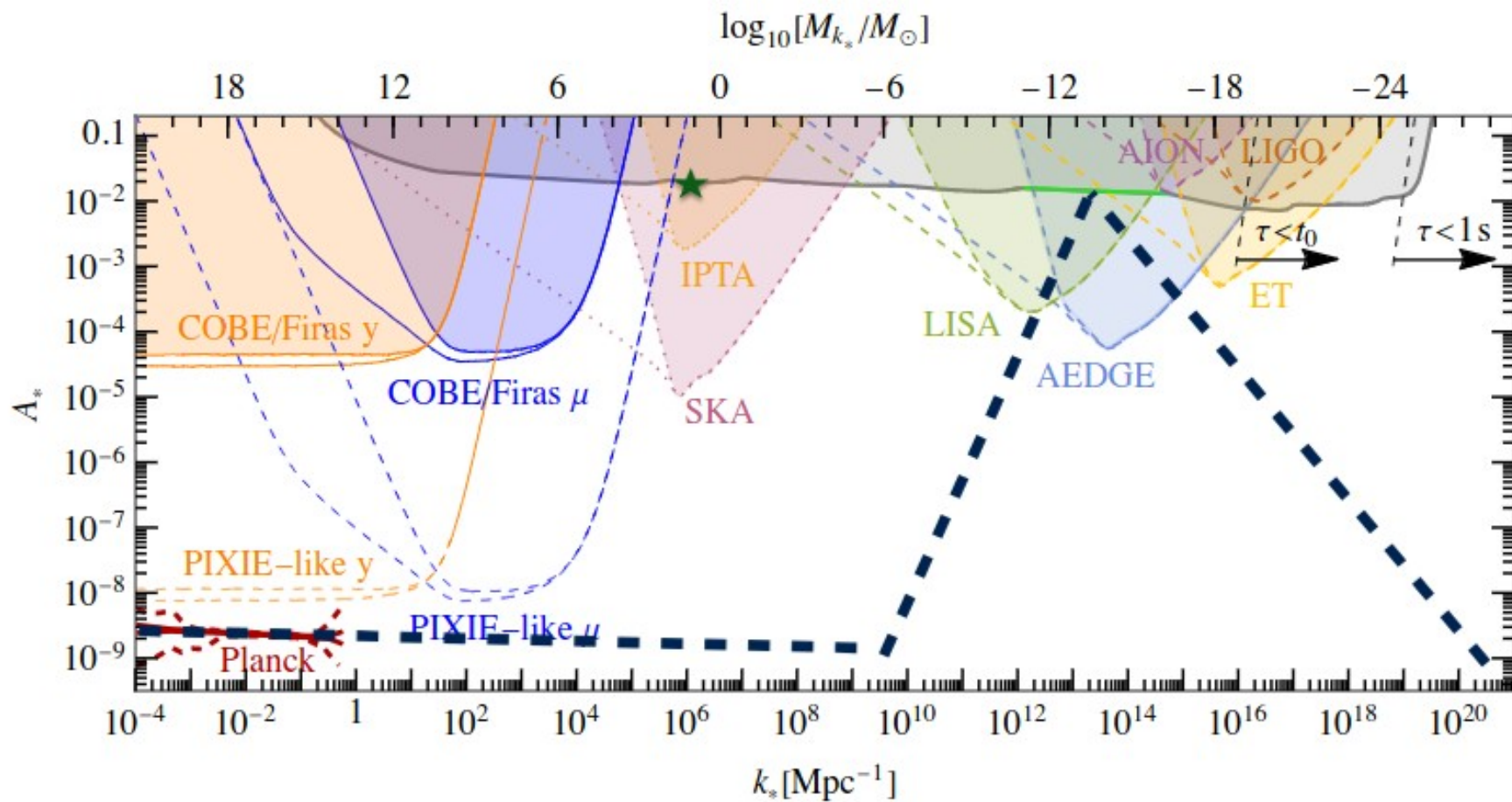
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less tuning with double-well potentials

Scalar induced GWs



SUMMARY

- **DM** as a byproduct of inflation

(when $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{R},\text{peak}} \approx 10^{-3} - 10^{-2}$ at $k \approx 10^{11} - 10^{15} \text{Mpc}^{-1}$, testable in coming decades)

- quasi-inflection point models well understood

(**USR-CR duality**, superhorizon enhancement, analytic approximations, k^4 growth)

- peak shape depends on the **SR to USR transition**

(oscillatory features, non-adiabatic enhancement, double-well vs quasi-inflection point, amount of **tuning**)